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#### PETITION TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT

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SIR:

In the above-identified patent application, the Commissioner is hereby petitioned to withdraw the holding of abandonment, accept a copy of the papers timely filed in response to the Office Action (as shown by the PTO stamped post card receipt) and continue examination of the application.

As shown by records in the US PTO, an Office Action in the above-referred application was issued having a mailing date of 19 February 1999.

On July 29, 1999, an Amendment and Response, a Letter to Draftsman, Formal Drawings, a Petition for Extension of Time for 3 Months, and an Excerpt from Webster's Dictionary were mailed by the undersigned, with proper addressing, postage and mailing certificate, as shown by the enclosed.

On August 6, 1999, the PTO received the Amendment and Response, a Letter to Draftsman, Formal Drawings, a Petition for Extension of Time for 3 Months, and an Excerpt from Webster's Dictionary, as evidenced by a post card receipt stamped by the PTO to acknowledge receipt of these documents.

As shown by records in the US PTO, a Notice of Abandonment in the above-referred application was issued having a mailing date of 24 September 1999. The

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Notice of Abandonment states that no response had been received.

The Notice of Abandonment was issued by PTO error because the PTO acknowledged receipt of the enclosed documents by stamping the post card receipt.

Accordingly, the holding of abandonment should be withdrawn, the enclosed copy of the papers should be accept as timely filed in response to the Office Action (as shown by the PTO stamped post card receipt), and the PTO should continue examination of the application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with the above-identified patent application or credit any overcharges, to Deposit Account No. 50-0235. Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned at the address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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